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FEBRUARY MINUTES
City Annex Building Conference Room
680 Park Avenue
February 09, 2010
4:00 p.m.

**Members Present:** Dean Nielson, Sheila Olsen and Heidi Gainan

Members Absent: Dwight Whittaker, Matt Queen, and Betty Frechette, and Lindsay

Huntsman

Staff Present: Jan Blickenstaff ADA Coordinator and DaNiel Jose Current Planner

**Called to Order:** Chairman Nielson called meeting to order, noting that no quorum was

present the meeting would be open discussion.

**Introduction:** Mayor Furhman was present at the meeting to thank the committee for

accepting their appointment to the Commission and their willingness to serve. He expressed the importance of their expertise in the different areas and how valuable it is for them to give the city direction into bring the city facilities into compliance. He would like the commission to review the city buildings before they are remodeled to recommend ADA

compliance.

**Discussion:** The commission discussed different issues that they had noticed. The

main topic was handicapped accessible van parking spaces and the

location of the access aisle.

Blickenstaff handed out a self evaluation and check list; he explained that

these checklists will help with the review process of the sites that the

commission will be evaluating.

The commission discussed that the first facility that they will inspect will be the Civic Auditorium as it served a broad segment of the community.

Blickenstaff encouraged the commission to review the city's new website to see if there are any changes that need to be made to it or if additional information needs to be added.

Olsen requested that the commission discusses ways to provide education to the local business to bring their properties into compliance.

Nielson announced that July 26, 2010 will be the ADA  $20^{th}$  anniversary and LIFE Inc. is planning a party.

Meeting adjourned